



THE EPISCOPAL  
SCHOOL of DALLAS

# MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Middle School provides each student the opportunity to develop superior academic skills within a safe environment grounded by high expectations of honorable conduct and self-discipline. We believe students learn best when they are challenged by passionate teachers who share their conviction that learning is a joy. Students are encouraged to think independently, love learning, and act with moral and social responsibility within a life guided by faith.

The Episcopal School of Dallas requires all members of our school community to uphold the Principles of Honor, Respect, and Integrity. We take pride in our commitment to ESD's Code of Conduct, and we hold each other accountable when we fall short.

## THE HALLMARKS OF AN ESD EDUCATION



## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

In addition to English, Mathematics, History, and Science, students will take:

**CLASSICAL AND MODERN LANGUAGES** Students select either Spanish or Latin for their fifth and sixth grade language. For seventh and eighth grade, students choose between Chinese, French, Latin, and Spanish. Successful completion of the two-year course allows seventh and eighth grade students to earn one credit of foreign language for Upper School.

**FINE ARTS** Students choose to study 2D Art, Band, Choir, Dance, Sculpture, Strings, or Theater. Each class spans a nine-week quarter in fifth and sixth grade. Seventh and eighth grade students have the opportunity to take a deeper look as each course will span a semester.

**COMPUTER SCIENCE** In this nine-week course taught in either fifth or sixth grade, students learn basic computer architecture and operations alongside the ethical issues of computer usage. Seventh and eighth graders will have a first semester option that will allow for the First Lego League competition. Second semester options include Python, Graphics, or HTML.

**RELIGION** Fifth and sixth grade students explore the Hebrew scripture stories for one year.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION** The primary focuses of fifth and sixth grade classes are physical fitness, motor skill development, and basic game strategies and skills. The ESD Sports Fellowship offers opportunities to participate in team sports with their classmates. Seventh and eighth graders are offered a variety of individual wellness activities and team sports that encourage a healthy lifestyle.

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*ESD admits qualified students without regard to race, religion, or national origin.  
We are an inclusive community.*

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## 2017-2018 MIDDLE SCHOOL SAMPLE SCHEDULE

Time	Period	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Wednesdays
8:15 - 9:05	1st	A	E	D	C	B	A	1st
9:10 - 9:30	Chapel	Chapel						Eucharist
9:35 - 9:55	Advisory	Advisory						
10:00 - 10:50	2nd	B	F	F	F	F	F	2nd
10:55 - 11:45	3rd	C	A	E	D	C	B	3rd
11:50 - 12:15	Recess/Lunch	6/8 Lunch			5/7 IGLT			Lunch/IGLT
12:10 - 12:35	Recess/Lunch	5/7 Lunch			6/8 IGLT			Lunch/IGLT
12:40 - 1:35	4th	FLEX	B	A	E	D	C	4th
1:40 - 2:30	5th	D	C	B	A	E	D	5th
2:35 - 3:25	6th	G	G	G	G	G	E	6th

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### ADVISORY SYSTEM

The Middle School Advisory program is the cornerstone to the success of our students. Advisories include 8-10 students and one faculty advisor. It serves as a family away from home. Each day, the advisories sit together for Chapel and enjoy lunch around a family-style table. The student's advisor is the first point of contact for any questions or concerns.

### DAILY CHAPEL

ESD is committed to daily chapel and the weekly celebration of Holy Eucharist. We are invited to wonder about how we can love God and our neighbor as we steward our spiritual gifts and bear God's image to the world. All faiths are welcomed at ESD.



### LIBRARY RESOURCES

The Gill Library houses over 25,000 items and our digital library allows 24/7 access to a vast collection of eBooks and audiobooks. Each year, the basics are reinforced and new tools, both print and electronic, are introduced.

### EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

A variety of clubs are offered to students before and after school ranging from Youth and Government to Community Service. There is something for everyone!



### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our Community Service Program is designed to prepare students for a lifetime of service to others. Our students participate in many programs like North Texas Food Bank, VNA, West Dallas Senior Center, and Hunger Busters, to name a few.



### CLASS TRIPS

The first overnight adventure at Wolf Run is much anticipated by all fifth graders. Sixth grade travels to Washington, D.C. to explore our nation's capital. Seventh grade travels to Camp Champion in the Texas Hill Country and the eighth grade travels to Colorado. Class trips allow students to discover and enrich their leadership skills and strengthen their class unity.

### WOLF RUN OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER

Located in Anna, Texas, this 300-acre ranch is the hub of our Outdoor Education program. Students enjoy multiple trips that foster a greater understanding in academics, such as history and science, as well as build community.

